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14. The method as described in claim 9 wherein said liquefied composition is comprised of sodium oleate, water, ethyl alcohol and sodium dihydrogen phosphate.

15. The method as described in claim 14 which contains about 5 percent of sodium oleate, about 1.5 percent of ethanol, enough disodium hydrogen phosphate to adjust the pH to about 9.8, and the remainder water.

16. The method of treating teeth for the prevention of caries or tooth decay which comprises contacting said teeth with a sufficient and effective amount to achieve said purpose of a mouthwash which is a liquefied composition of a therapeutically amount of a non-necrotic fatty acid compound prepared from an unsubstituted unsaturated fatty acid having at least one double bond,

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water, a buffering agent and ethanol, the pH of said liquefied composition being between 9 and 11.

17. The method as described in claim 16 wherein said fatty acid compound is a fatty acid salt prepared from an unsaturated fatty acid having one double bond and from an alkali metal or an alkali metal compound or a basic alkali metal compound.

18. The method as described in claim 17 wherein said liquefied composition contains about 5 percent of sodium oleate, about 1.5 percent of ethanol, enough disodium hydrogen phosphate to adjust the pH to about 9.8, and the remainder water.

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